IN THE CLAIMS

The claims pending in the application are reproduced below for the convenience of the Examiner.

1. – 9. (canceled) .

10. (previously presented) A method assembling a plurality of field windings and securing the windings on a rotor core comprising the steps of:

(a) arranging a plurality of field windings in a winding assembly;

(b) mounting the winding assembly on the rotor core;

(c) deforming the mounted winding assembly on the rotor core to reduce a circumference of the assembly on the rotor core;

(d) deforming a cross-sectional shape of a cylindrical rotor enclosure to match a circumferential shape of the winding assembly as mounted on the rotor core and thereby create a clearance between the enclosure and mounted winding assembly;

(e) sliding the formed rotor enclosure over the mounted winding assembly; and

(f) releasing the deformation of the rotor enclosure after the enclosure is positioned over the winding assembly.

11. (original) A method as in claim 10 wherein the rotor enclosure is a single cylinder.

12. (original) A method as in claim 10 wherein the rotor enclosure is a series of rings, and steps (a) to (e) are repeated as each ring is fitted over the at least oen assembly of field windings.

13. (original) A method as in claim 12 wherein said at least one assembly of field windings is a pair of field windings assemblies mounted opposite to each other on said rotor core.

14. (original) A method as in claim 10 wherein the rotor enclosure is a non-metallic composite material.

15. (original) A method as in claim 10 wherein a deformation collar around the enclosure applies the force to deform the enclosure.

16. (original) A method as in claim 10 further comprising the step of applying a metallic shield over the rotor enclosure.

17. (canceled).

18. (previously presented) A method as in claim 10 wherein where the deformation of the winding assembly includes deforming spacers between the windings.